

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

George Fitzmaurice, et al.

Application No.: 10/748,685

Group Art Unit: 2174

Filed: December 31, 2003

Examiner: Le V. Nguyen

For: A LAYER EDITOR SYSTEM FOR A PEN-BASED COMPUTER

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Attention: After Final**

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed November 13, 2009 finally rejecting claims 7-17.

The due date for response was February 13, 2010 (which was a Saturday). Also note that February 15, 2010 was a Federal Holiday. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is timely filed.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. EXTENSION OF TIME PETITION AND FEE

— Attached is a petition for a -month extension of time  
for reply to the final rejection. \$

2. APPEAL FEE

X Other than a small entity 540.00

TOTAL FEE \$540.00

3. PAYMENT

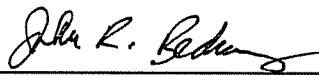
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Respectfully submitted,

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